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March 24, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **Toma Resilience Campus** project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is **Blue Lake Rancheria**, **California**, located at 428 Chartin Road, Blue Lake, CA 95525.

The funding would be used for to construct the Blue Lake Rancheria's Toma Resilience Campus (Toma), a 15,000-square foot, multi-use facility focused on climate resilience, disaster preparedness, clean energy, smart technology, manufacturing, and sustainable food systems.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 614 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196c), as amended by section 202 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act).

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will serve the Blue Lake Rancheria tribal community and broader region. As a multi-purpose facility, the Toma Resilience Campus will house both programs and activities currently underway, and newly developed functions looking for a programmatic home. Current activities that will be migrated to the Toma facility include Resilience, Training, and Innovation Center (RTIC); Tribal Emergency Response Team (TERT) planning and support activities; additional climate resilience, emergency response, and workforce trainings conducted with regional partners; and other collaborative gatherings such as workshops, trainings, events, etc.

I certify that neither I, nor my immediate family, has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Jared Huffman

Member of Congress